IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

YAMADA et al.

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Examiner: Fletcher, M.

For: AUDIO SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.121

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

August 28, 2000

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2000, having been dult extended from July 26, 2000 until August 28, 2000 by the attached petition for extension of time please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Submitted herewith is a substitute abstract that overcomes the objected to informalities cited in the Office Action. Applicants respectfully request that the substitute abstract be entered in the record to replace the originally filed abstract.)

<u>REMARKS</u>

The Office Action mailed April 26, 2000, having been duly extended from July 26, 2000 until August 28, 2000 by the attached petition for extension of time, has been received and carefully noted. The above amendments and the following remarks are